Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 17 Feb 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 18 Feb 2024

Forecast Issued on Saturday 17 Feb 2024 at 02:08

Confidence: High for the mild and rather unsettled conditions continuing through much of the forecast period, but lower for timing of arrival and clearance of rain, especially Tuesday and Wednesday.

Headline for Saturday 17 Feb 2024: Mostly cloudy with patchy rain and drizzle then heavy evening rain. Strengthening winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 17 Feb 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Medium Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Drizzle	Drizzle	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
40%	40%	30%	50%	90%	90%

Forecast for Saturday 17 Feb 2024

Weather: Cloudy with patchy light rain and drizzle through the morning and into the early afternoon. Extensive low cloud throughout will bring widespread hill fog. More persistent rain spreads east from mid-afternoon, turning heavier through the late afternoon and evening with strengthening winds.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: Less than 5% for much of the day, perhaps 10% in the north and east of the park for a time early afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Widespread low cloud with bases 300-500m, lowering to 100-200m at times in the south and west. Visibility generally moderate in light rain and drizzle but increasingly poor into the afternoon in association with heavier rain, and very poor at height in hill fog.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	20/26 SW	18/22 SW	22/28 S	25/32 S	25/33 S	22/30 SW	16/23 SW
300	9/20 SW	9/19 SW	12/24 SW	15/30 S	16/33 SW	14/29 SW	11/22 SW
Valley	8/19 SW	7/17 SW	11/23 SW	12/28 S	14/32 SW	11/27 SW	9/20 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	8/4	9/5	9/5	9/5	9/5	9/5	8/5
300	9/7	10/8	10/8	11/8	11/8	11/8	10/8
Valley	10/8	10/9	11/9	11/9	11/9	11/9	10/8
Freezing Level*	1700m	1900m	2200m	2600m	2700m	2400m	2200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Difficult navigation likely at height due to extensive low cloud. This compounded by strong winds with gusts perhaps reaching 40-45mph over ridges and summits for a time late afternoon, though easing somewhat later.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Sat 17 Feb 2024	1.4mm	12.8mm	28.4mm

Forecast for Sunday 18 Feb 2024

Weather: Early low cloud and rain clears south and east through the early hours to leave a brighter day with lighter winds, some sunny spells and perhaps the odd afternoon shower.

Maximum wind: Westerly or north-westerly 15mph gusting 25mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: Around 20% at first but rising to 70% by mid-morning. Chances fall again into evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Occasional or, especially at first, periods of cloud above 500-700m. Away from cloud visibility generally good or very good.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 8 or 9 Celsius at dawn rising to plus 13 Celsius by day
At 600m: Around 7 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits

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